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October 9, 2007

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: FIRE STATION 69 APPARATUS BAY AND HEADER RAISING REFURBISHMENT PROJECT – UNINCORPORATED AREA OF TOPANGA CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION – APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT AWARD AGREEMENT - SPECS. 6871; C.P. 88736 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3) (3 VOTES)

JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE FIRE CHIEF:

- 1. Find the Fire Station 69 Apparatus Bay and Header Raising Refurbishment project categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act.
- Approve the appropriation adjustment to transfer \$713,000 from the Fire District's Capital Project Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund, Services and Supplies appropriation to Capital Project 88736 to fully finance the proposed project cost.
- 3. Approve the \$1,057,400 total project budget for the Fire Station 69 project.
- 4. Authorize and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to manage the project on behalf of the Consolidated Fire Protection District; to award and execute consultant agreements, amendments, and supplements related to this project within the same authority and limits as delegated to the Director of Public Works by your Board for County projects; and to accept the project and release retention upon acceptance.

- 5. Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute an agreement with Osborn Architects to provide design and construction administration services for Fire Station 69 for an \$86,000 not-to-exceed fee to be funded through the Consolidated Fire Protection District and to establish the effective date following Board approval.
- 6. Authorize the Director of Public Works to initiate the refurbishment work for Fire Station 69 by using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to initiate design and construction administration activities for the expansion and refurbishment of the apparatus bay in Fire Station 69 located at 401 South Topanga Canyon Boulevard, Topanga.

The project will extend the apparatus bay by approximately 6 feet and raise the header of the apparatus bay to a height of 11 feet 6 inches. These modifications will allow the apparatus bay to accommodate and meet the operational requirements of the Fire District. The project will also include appropriate Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades.

Following completion of the construction documents and jurisdictional approvals, the refurbishment work will be completed using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) by improving the efficiency, quality, and responsiveness of County services to all residents. It also directs that we ensure Children and Families' Well-Being (Goal 5) by enhancing the ability of families to live in safe, stable, and supportive communities. We are also directed to improve Community Services (Goal 6) by offering a wide range of services responsive to each community's specific needs. This project helps to achieve these goals as it is an investment in public infrastructure that will benefit the community of Topanga by improving the Fire Department's ability to respond to local emergencies.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended agreement is for an \$86,000 not-to-exceed amount. Sufficient funds are available in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Capital Project (C.P.) 88736 to award the recommended agreement. The total estimated project cost, including plans and specifications, plan check, construction, equipment, consultant services, and County services, is \$1,057,400.

Following your Board's approval of the attached appropriation adjustment of \$713,000 (Attachment B), sufficient funding will be available in C.P. 88736 to complete construction of the proposed project. There is no impact to net County cost.

The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in Attachment A.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard design services agreement, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, negotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration for award of this agreement, Osborn Architects is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence Program/General Relief Opportunities for Work participants for future employment.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the project specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, about Board Policy 5.135 (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) and that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under Federal income tax laws.

Osborn Architects is in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program).

As required by your Board, the project cost includes one percent of design and construction costs to be allocated to the Civic Art Fund per your Board's Civic Art Policy adopted on December 7, 2004.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Fire Station 69 project has been reviewed and determined to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15301 (a), (d), and (e), and the County of Los Angeles Environmental Procedures and Guidelines, Class 1, adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. A Notice of Exemption will be filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Osborn Architects was selected by the County through a competitive process to provide as-needed architectural/engineering (A/E) design services for various Fire District projects. On March 29, 2007, the Architectural Evaluation Board (AEB) recommended 15 firms to be considered for performing the professional services for various Fire District projects. On May 16, 2007, technical proposals for services were requested from these firms. On June 13, 2007, six firms submitted proposals for evaluation. The proposals were evaluated by a committee made up of representatives from the Department of Public Works (Public Works), the Fire District, and the Chief Executive Office, who met to select a total of four A/E firms to provide as-needed A/E design services. Osborn Architects is one of the selected firms.

Osborn Architects has agreed to provide A/E design services for Fire Station 69 for an \$86,000 not-to-exceed fee. The fee has been reviewed by Public Works and is considered reasonable for the scope of work.

On February 3, 1998, your Board requested that contract opportunities be listed on the Doing Business with Us website. However, this contract opportunity was not listed on the website because the AEB evaluation process was used. This process was established by your Board to ensure that firms are selected on an equitable and impartial basis to provide design and consultant services. Public Works uses the Doing Business with Us website to offer general consultant opportunities, and the AEB supplements its business listing of architectural firms from the website information.

Osborn Architects' Community Business Enterprises participation data (10 percent) and 3-year contracting history with the County are on file with Public Works.

The contract requires the consultant to pay its employees applicable prevailing wages in accordance with the California Labor Code.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to my office and Public Works, Project Management Division II.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

Fire Chief

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Attachment (2)

c: Auditor-Controller County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW Program)

ATTACHMENT A

FIRE STATION 69 APPARATUS BAY AND HEADER RAISING REFURBISHMENT PROJECT SPECS. 6871; C.P. 88736

I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date
Project Needs Assessment	N/A
Project Feasibility	N/A
Project Program	N/A
Design a) Contract Execution b) Construction Documents c) Jurisdictional Approval	10/30/07 06/16/08 08/18/08
Contract Award	10/15/08
Construction a) Substantial Completion b) Acceptance	03/10/09 05/12/09

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category		Proposed Project Budget		
Land Acquisition			0	
Construction (a) Base Construction (b) Change Order (15 percent) (c) Civic Art		\$ \$ \$	540,000 81,000 6,300	
·	Subtotal	\$	627,300	
Equipment		\$	20,000	
Plans and Specifications		\$	90,000	
Consultant Services		\$	25,000	
Miscellaneous Expenditures (a) Office of Affirmative Action (b) Printing/Legal Advertising		\$ \$	5,000 1,100	
	Subtotal	\$	6,100	
Jurisdictional Review and Plan Check		\$	3,500	
County Services		\$	285,500	
	TOTAL	\$1	,057,400	

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

390-06

FIRE DEPARTMENT OF

September 21₁₂₀ 2007

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

> 3-Vote Fiscal Year 2007-08

SOURCES:

Fire Department - Capital Project ACO Services & Supplies J13-FR-2000-50099 713,000

Summary Total:

713,000

USES:

Fire - Capital Project ACO Fire Station 69 Fixed Assets - Bldg & Improvements J13-CP-6014-65033-88736 713,000

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Sonia Garcia, Supervisor AAIII, FMD

This Appropriation Adjustment is necessary to fund construction cost for Fire Station 69 Apparatus Bay and Header rising Project.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR-

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APPROVED (AS REVISED) BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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